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SUBJ: ANTARCTIC TREATY - MARINE LIVING RESOURCES AT

EXTENDED PREPARATORY MEETING

REFS: A. STATE 152476; B. STATE 163438

- 1. BOTH FOREIGN MINISTRY OFFICIALS WHO DEAL IN ANTARCTIC MATTERS HAVE BEEN AT LOS MEETINGS IN NEW YORK.
 ROGER JEANNEL, LEGAL OFFICE DEPUTY DIRECTOR, WAS ABLE TO SEE US JULY 19, DAY AFTER HIS RETURN TO PARIS.
- 2. JEANNEL'S RESPONSE TO OUR PRESENTATION OF POINTS CONFIDENTIAL

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CONTAINED PARA 3, REF A, WAS TO STATE GOF'S AGREEMENT IN PRINCIPLE TO DISCUSS ANTARCTIC MARINE LIVING RESOURCES AT LONDON EXTENDED PREPARATORY MEETING LATER THIS MONTH. HOWEVER, HE ATTACHED TWO CAVEATS TO THIS AGREEMENT: (1) LEGAL OFFICE HAD NOT YET HAD TIME TO GO OVER MARINE RESOURCES POSITIONS THOROUGHLY WITH FRENCH EXPERTS, AND THIS COULD AFFECT DEPTH OF FRENCH CONTRIBUTION TO

DISCUSSIONS; AND (2) FRENCH POSITION WHICH ULTIMATELY EVOLVES MIGHT EXPRESS PREFERENCE FOR INDIVIDUAL NATIONAL COMPETENCE OVER RESOURCES IN SPECIFICALLY DELINEATED GEOGRAPHIC ZONES. LATTERPOINT, JEANNEL NOTED, IS AT VARIANCE WITH U.S. CONCEPT OF COMMON ACCESS TO ANTARCTIC WATERS FOR ALL PARTIES TO TREATY.

3. JEANNEL ALSO SAID HE HOPED EXTENDED PREPARATORY MEETING WOULD NOT RPT NOT HAVE TO RUN FOUR FULL DAYS. HARTMAN

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